

ANNUAL REPORT

**OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF**

STRATFORD, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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Town Officers

	Term Expires
<i>Moderator</i>	
GEORGE ZOULIAS	1952
<i>Town Clerk</i>	
EDNA FULLER	1952
<i>Selectmen</i>	
JESSIE C. SILSBY	1952
GEORGE D. KEYSAR	1953
AARON E. STEVENS	1954
<i>Treasurer</i>	
GRACE S. MARTIN	1952
<i>Tax Collector</i>	
AMY J. BLODGETT	1952
<i>Health Officer</i>	
ROGER HUNT	1952
<i>Library Trustees</i>	
FLORA STEVENS	1952
EDITH McGUIRE	1953
ROSE NILES	1954
<i>Town Road Agent</i>	
ARCHIE PORTIGUE (resigned)	
<i>Water Rent Collector</i>	
FRANK A. SMITH	1952
<i>Supervisors of Check List</i>	
RUTH BARNETT	1952
IRENE ZOULIAS	1952
LENA STINSON	1952
<i>Cemetery Trust Fund Trustees</i>	
DELIA B. HAPGOOD	1952
DOROTHY HAPGOOD	1953
PAULINE HUNT	1954
<i>Cemetery Trustees</i>	
HUGH JOHNSON	1952
WILLIAM FULLER	1953
LESLIE E. BARNETT	1954
<i>Public Health Nurse</i>	
DELIA B. HAPGOOD	1952
<i>Soldiers' Memorial Trust Fund Treasurers</i>	
GRACE S. MARTIN	
WALTER L. NILES	

Town Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratford, County of Coos, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said village of North Stratford, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, 1952, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. To elect two auditors for the ensuing year, or to see if the town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting, and to make an appropriation to cover the cost of such an audit.

ARTICLE 3. To elect a treasurer for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To elect one selectman for three years, and all other town officers.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to continue the services of the Public Health Nurse, and raise money for same.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 toward Blister Rust Control. This amount to be set aside for future use.

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for highways, bridges and town maintenance.

ARTICLE 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the following: Libraries; Memorial Day; Skating Rinks; Sewers, Street Lighting; Cemeteries; Retirement of Bonds; Long Term Notes; Interest; Insurance; Personal Bonds and any other money for the town.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the voters will authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to borrow a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate

\$15,000.00 in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue in the name, and on the credit of the town, negotiable notes therefor, said notes to be repaid during the current municipal year, from taxes collected within the current municipal year.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to advertise for sealed bids on any property acquired by the town through tax collector's deeds, with the right to accept or reject all bids.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$87.12 to the White Mountains Region Association, being 10c per \$1000. of assessed valuation (1/100th of 1 per cent) for the purpose of issuing and distributing printed matter and advertising and otherwise publicizing the advantages of the town, in cooperation with the other 45 towns in the region.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to raise money to plow three additional miles of road in East Stratford.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to cut the bushes and repair the Egan road and the Stinson road in East Stratford.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road starting at the so-called Rollin Curtis place on the Stinson road to the end of the road.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road starting from the Charles McMann homestead on the McMann road to the end of the road.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to raise money to perambulate the lines between Stratford and the towns of Columbia, Odell and Northumberland.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to adopt the Provisions of Chapter 171-A of Revised Laws, relative to playing games of Beano.

ARTICLE 18. To hear reports of agents, officers and committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relative thereto.

Given under our hands and seal at Stratford,
this 20th day of February, A. D. 1952.

GEORGE D. KEYSAR,
JESSIE C. SILSBY,
AARON E. STEVENS,
Selectmen of Stratford.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GEORGE D. KEYSAR,
JESSIE C. SILSBY,
AARON E. STEVENS,
Selectmen of Stratford.

Budget for 1952

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952 compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1951 to December 31, 1951.

Sources of Revenue

From State:

	Actual 1951	Est. 1952
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 144.32	\$ 150.00
Railroad Tax	1152.81	1150.00
Savings Bank Tax	38.54	40.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood & timber	2324.68	3000.00
For Fighting Forest Fires	9.55	25.00

From Local Sources

Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	206.80	210.00
Rent of Town Hall & Other Buildings	760.00	750.00
Health Department	1158.00	1000.00
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
Water Departments	3878.69	3750.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2301.00	2300.00
Sale of Town Property	1018.25	

Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:

Repairing Fire Station	2000.00	
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From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:

Poll Taxes, Regular at \$2	726.00	750.00
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Total Revenues from all Sources except Property Taxes	\$15718.64	\$13125.00
Amt. to be raised by Property Taxes		53153.75

<i>Total Revenues</i>		<i>\$66278.75</i>
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Purposes of Expenditures

Actual 1951 Est. 1952

*Current Maintenance Expenses:**General Government:*

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2436.00	\$ 2195.00
Town Officers' Expenses	850.66	1200.00
Election & Regis. Expenses	28.00	250.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	2092.40	1500.00

*Protection of Persons
and Property:*

Police Department	90.00	100.00
Fire Department	288.86	500.00
Insurance	465.98	472.13

Health:

Health dept., includ. hos.	3152.58	2000.00
Vital Statistics	14.50	15.00
Sewer Maintenance	217.50	225.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	7.50	10.00

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance—Summer	843.61	850.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	730.57	750.00
Street Lighting	1284.96	1350.00
Gen'l Exp. of Highway Dept.	82.76	50.00
Town Road Aid	108.63	108.61

Libraries:

Libraries	608.61	500.00
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Public Welfare:

Town Poor	773.29	500.00
Old Age Assistance	1261.62	1260.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	200.00	200.00
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Aid to Soldiers and their Families	228.80	250.00
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Recreation:

Parks and Playground	11.00	11.00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Municipally Owned Water and Electric Utilities	350.41	700.00
Cemeteries	69.70	100.00

Unclassified:

Damages and Legal Expenses	122.65	100.00
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Employees' Retirement	221.03	221.03
<i>Interest:</i>		
On Temporary Loans	51.35	50.00
On Bonded Debt	900.00	700.00
On Long Term Notes	330.00	327.50
<i>New Land and Buildings:</i>		
Fire Station Note		1000.00
<i>Payment on Principal of Debt:</i>		
Bonds	4000.00	4000.00
Long Term Notes	1000.00	1000.00
<i>Payments to Other</i>		
<i>Governmental Divisions:</i>		
County Taxes	4477.00	4477.00
School Taxes	34295.88	39306.48
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>\$61595.85</u>	<u>\$66278.75</u>

Summary Inventory of Valuation

Lands and Buildings (Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	\$652,540.90
Electric Plants (Public Service Company of N. H.)	61,200.00
Horses, 37	3,300.00
Cows, 420	41,040.00
Other Neat Stock, 23	2,300.00
Sheep and Goats, 1	20.00
Fowls	346.00
Portable Mills	1,500.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	64,164.71
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	2,000.00
Stock in Trade	20,845.00
Mills and Machinery	53,750.00
Total Gross Valuation before Exemption Allowed	\$903,006.61
Less: Soldiers' Exemptions	31,806.00
Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed	\$871,200.61

Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed

Tax Year 1951

Appropriations:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,195.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	30.00
Municipal Court Expenses	100.00
Town Hall and Buildings	1,790.00
Police Department	55.00
Fire Department	500.00
Blister Rust—Moth Extermination	50.00
Health Department	2,350.00
Hospitals, Clinics & Health Centers	350.00
Vital Statistics	25.00
Town Road Aid	157.10
Town Maintenance	1,350.00
Town Dump—Garbage Removal	50.00
Plowing 3 miles East Stratford	200.00
Street Lighting	1,392.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	25.00
Sewer Maintenance	210.00
To apply against 1950 deficit	1,000.00
Libraries	500.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00
Town Poor	500.00
Memorial Day & Veteran's Asso.	200.00
Parks and Playgrounds	11.00
Water and Electric Utilities	400.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Employees' Retirement	164.22
Damages and Legal Expense	50.00
Interest	1,230.00
Payments on Principal of Debt	5,000.00
County Tax	4,477.00
School Tax	33,120.68

Total Town & School Appropriations \$60,082.00

Less—Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$ 144.32	
Railroad Tax	1,145.00	
Savings Bank Tax	65.00	
Reimbursement and Exemption of Growing Wood & Timber	5,118.06	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00	
Dog Licenses	238.00	
Rent of Town Property	400.00	
Interest Received on Taxes	200.00	
Water & Electric Depart.	3,000.00	
Total Revenues and Credits		12,310.38
		\$47,771.62
Plus Overlay		525.61
Net Amt. to be raised by Taxation	\$48,297.23	
Less: 452 Poll Taxes at \$2.00	904.00	
Amt. to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured		\$47,393.23
<i>Taxes to be Committed to Collector:</i>		
Property Taxes	\$47,393.23	
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	904.00	
Total Taxes to be Committed	\$48,297.23	
Tax Rate—\$5.44 (Approved by Tax Comm.)		

BALANCE

*Assets**Cash:*

In hands of treasurer	\$15,400.10
Rollin A. Baldin Trust Fund Income Acct.	78.88

Accounts Due to the Town:

Due from State: Bounties	62.75
Knights of Pythias—Rent	500.00
James Provencher Estate	406.55
Water Rents	1,218.37

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1950	412.80
Levy of 1949	412.32
Previous Years	191.53

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1951	6,051.46
Levy of 1950	271.21
Levy of 1949	287.36
Previous Years	1,046.86
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1951	260.00

Total Assets	\$26,600.19
Excess of liabilities over assets	15,821.37

Grand Total

\$42,421.56

Net Debt—Surplus, Dec. 31, '50	\$25,381.91
Net Debt—Surplus, Dec. 31, '51	15,821.37

Decrease of Debt	\$ 9,560.54
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SHEET

<i>Liabilities</i>	
<i>Accounts Owed by the Town:</i>	
Blister Rust	\$ 50.00
Baldwin Trust Fund Income Acct.	78.88
Due to State:	
State Head Taxes—1951, Uncollected	260.00
Special Soldiers' Bonus \$3 Poll Taxes— 1944 and 1945	12.00
Due to School Districts: Balance of Appropriation	16,020.68
<i>Long Term Notes Outstanding:</i>	
Water Notes—Issue of 1938, 2¾ pct.	11,000.00
<i>Bonds Outstanding:</i>	
Water Bonds—Issue of 1920, 5 pct.	8,000.00
Water Bonds—Issue of 1921, 5 pct.	7,000.00
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	\$42,421.56
<i>Grand Total</i>	\$42,421.56

Schedule of Town Property

<i>Description</i>	
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 18,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,000.00
Libraries, Lands & Bldgs., Strat'd Hollow	2,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Fire Dept., Lands & Bldgs., & Library	5,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00
Highway Department, Equipment	500.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	2,000.00
Water Supply, if owned by Town	100,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	84,800.00
Equipment	11,000.00
Town Histories	200.00
Aldef Leclair, Lands & Buildings	2,000.00
Town House, Stratford Center	2,000.00
<i>Total</i>	\$232,000.00

Detailed Statement of Payments

Town Officers' Salaries

Burritt H. Hinman, Bal. on 1950 salary	\$ 75.00
Jessie C. Silsby, Bal. on 1950 salary	75.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Bal. on 1950 Tax Collecting	56.51
George D. Keysar, Chairman 1951	300.00
Jessie C. Silsby	300.00
Aaron E. Stevens	300.00
Edna Fuller, Town Clerk (over paid \$50)	150.00
Edna Fuller, Issuing Auto Permits	157.00
Grace S. Martin, Treasurer	100.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Clerk	360.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Tax Collector	562.49
	\$2,436.00

Town Officers' Expenses

H. F. Carr, repairing typewriter, ribbon and carbon	\$ 8.10
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	8.28
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	115.15
George Zoulias, Auditing, stamped envelopes and stamps	37.12
Hugh H. Johnson, Auditing	30.00
Montgomery & Ward, paper & envelopes	17.30
Lewis Marshall, postage stamps & box rent	22.45
Register of Deeds, listing transfers and recording	30.03
George M. Stevens & Son Co., bonds	96.50
Coos County Democrat, printing reports and notices	198.25
Assn. N. H. Assessors, dues	2.00
N. H. Tax Collector's Assn., dues	3.00
Amy J. Blodgett, office rent	120.00
Amy J. Blodgett, expenses	31.55
Amy J. Blodgett, tax sale	51.25
Geo. D. Keysar, car expense	17.78
Aaron E. Stevens, supplies	12.95
Sargent Bros., tax bills	13.91

Gunnar Printing, blanks	3.50
Jessie Silsby, car expense and telephone	29.54
Edna Fuller, postage	2.00

\$ 850.66

Election and Registration

George Zoulias, Moderator	\$ 10.00
Irene Zoulias, Supervisor	6.00
Ruth Barnett, Supervisor	6.00
Lena Stinson, Supervisor	6.00

\$ 28.00

Town Hall and Other Town Buildings

Nugent Motor Company, fuel oil	\$ 756.16
Public Service Company of N. H.	109.22
Raymond Couture, painting signs	13.50
Elmer Paradis, janitor	375.50
Aaron E. Stevens, supplies	71.43
Harry Boucher, labor on windows	3.00
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating,	
repairs and material	81.36
P. A. Hicks & Sons, supplies	1.80
Emery Waterhouse Company, curtains	52.71
Pat Monahan, labor on roof	9.00
Harry Boucher, labor on roof	52.50
Burl Howland, labor on roof	30.00
Irving G. Young, roofing, paint & nails	81.47
Lawrence Jensen, fire extinguisher	12.75
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Insurance—	
Power Plant	86.00
George D. Keysar, reimbursement	
on supervision	350.00
Irving Blodgett, wood	6.00

\$2,092.40

Police Department

Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., bonds	\$ 10.00
Elmer Paradis, Special Officer July 4th	30.00
Daniel Connors, salary Police Officer	50.00

\$ 90.00

Fire Department

Badger Fire Extinguisher Co.	\$ 99.25
Conn. General Life Insurance Co.	82.50

Public Service Co. of N. H., electric lights	11.50
H. W. Silsby, supplies	24.76
Stratford Garage, labor and supplies	49.35
John Goodale, Jr., attending training meeting	4.50
William Sheltry, payroll for fire April 24	17.00

\$ 288.86

Fire Station Contract

Harry Savage, contractor	\$1,970.19
Aaron Stevens, brush cutting & aluminum paint	5.65
Lesnick Building Supply, flooring	68.40
R. E. York, electrical work and material	18.64
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, labor and material	34.61

\$2,097.49

Bounties

Amy J. Blodgett, paid on hedgehogs (17)	\$ 4.25
Forrest McGuire, 1 bear	5.00
Aaron E. Stevens, paid on 3 bears, 33 hedgehogs	23.25
Jessie C. Silsby, paid on 5 bears, 21 hedgehogs	30.25

\$ 62.75

Health Department

Delia B. Hapgood, salary	\$2,300.00
Delia B. Hapgood, transportation	600.00
Aaron E. Stevens, supplies	48.57
Claire Belisle, substitute nurse	100.00
Virginia Stevens, substitute nurse	50.00
Roger Hunt, salary Health Officer	25.00
Roger Hunt, expenses to Meeting & express on water bottles	29.01

\$3,152.58

Vital Statistics

Edna Fuller, fees and returns	\$ 14.50
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Sewer Maintenance

Alice B. Hutchins, lease	\$ 200.00
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Frank A. Smith, labor	17.50
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	\$ 217.50
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Town Dump

Stratford Garage, leveling dump, 3 hrs.	\$ 7.50
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Town Maintenance

Summer:

Archie Portigue, payroll	\$ 367.73
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William Sheltry, plank	123.90
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Harry Norcutt, labor	2.40
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Burl Howland, truck & labor	39.00
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Town of Northumberland, truck, labor and gravel	15.50
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H. W. Silsby, supplies	4.63
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P. A. Hicks & Sons, supplies	3.65
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Harold Stinson, trucking	6.00
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Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, labor on culvert	9.00
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Charles Stinson, trucking	5.00
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Arthur Brown, work on road	18.00
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Frank R. Stone, work on road	16.50
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Frank O. Stone, work on road	10.00
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Elmer Egan, work on road	1.00
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State of New Hampshire	221.30
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	\$ 843.61
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Winter:

Archie Portigue, payroll	\$ 81.60
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State of New Hampshire, Snow Fence Posts	43.12
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Harold McMann, plowing East Stratford	118.91
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Tracy Tetreault, plowing	234.59
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Stratford Garage, mounting and repair- ing plows	96.35
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Burl Howland, sanding	21.00
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Francis Chapple, plowing	123.75
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Harold McMann, plowing	11.25
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	\$ 730.57
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Town Road Aid

State of New Hampshire	\$ 108.63
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Retirement

Employees' Retirement System, Delia	
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B. Hapgood	\$ 221.03
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Street Lighting

Public Service Company of N. H.	\$1,284.96
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*General Expenses of the
Highway Department*

Frank Scribner, painting flag pole	\$ 40.00
Aaron E. Stevens, rope and snaps	8.26
Hugh H. Johnson, surveying Town Shed lot	15.00
Jessie Silsby, signs for road	10.00
Stratford Garage, cutting iron & drilling	1.50
Frank A. Smith, signs for road	8.00
	\$ 82.76

Libraries

Ethel P. Johnson, one-half appropriation	\$ 250.00
Flora Stevens, one-half appropriation	250.00
Aaron E. Stevens, supplies	83.61
Neal Farnsworth, labor	25.00
	\$ 608.61

Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire	\$1,261.62
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Town Poor

Coos County Farm, board Fred Lacasse	\$ 90.00
R. R. Jenkins, ambulance to Hanover, Lorraine Lumbra	40.00
Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Lorraine Lumbra	223.79
J. L. Poirier, M. D., services, Oliver Piencience	35.80
Alphonse Lacasse, taxi, Oliver Piencience	6.00
Coos County Hospital, Oliver Piencience	178.00
Coos County Hospital, Laura Peck	20.00
Alphonse Lacasse, taxi Tyler Wheary	7.00
J. L. Poirier, M. D., services Tyler Wheary	15.00
Daniel Connors, assisting Tyler Wheary	3.50
Hazen Ramsay, assisting Tyler Wheary	3.50
Amy J. Blodgett, telegram Tyler Wheary	.70
Newman Funeral Service, Tyler Wheary	125.00
Charles Hodgins, shoveling snow to vault and opening grave	25.00
	\$ 773.29

Aid to Soldiers and Their Families

W. R. Schillhammer, M. D.	\$ 73.80
Weeks Memorial Hospital	63.80
Myrle Hurlburt, coal	9.75
Raymond Deyette, milk	16.20
H. W. Silsby, groceries	65.25

\$ 228.80

Memorial Day

V. F. W. Post, one half appropriation	\$ 50.00
Elizabeth Egan, one half appropriation	50.00

\$ 100.00

Soldiers' Trust Fund

Grace S. Martin, Treas., one-half appro.	\$ 50.00
Walter L. Niles, Treas., one-half appro.	50.00

\$ 100.00

Parks and Playgrounds

Canadian National Railways, fountain site	\$ 6.00
John Drapeau, care of monument	5.00

\$ 11.00

Water Department

Joseph G. Pollard Co., repairs	26.40
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., bond	7.50
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, labor	15.00
Sentinel Publishing Co., water bills and envelopes	10.00
Frank A. Smith, labor	175.15
Frank A. Smith, commission on collections	116.36

\$ 350.41

Cemeteries

Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., bond	\$ 5.00
Wm. Fuller, cleaning Center cemetery	14.70
Murray Celley, mowing Center cemetery	50.00

\$ 69.70

Damages and Legal Expenses

William Lehnert, legal services	\$ 32.00
Burritt H. Hinman, legal services and disbursements	35.00

John Gormley, legal services	35.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., dog tags, blanks and books	20.65
	\$ 122.65
<i>Taxes Bought By Town</i>	
Amy J. Blodgett, Collector	\$ 443.40
<i>Refunds</i>	
Ernest Curtis	\$ 15.30
Blair-Vermont Veneer Co.	195.65
Clifford Young	13.06
	\$ 224.01
<i>Insurance</i>	
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Fire Station Building	\$ 47.58
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Town Hall	418.40
	\$ 465.98
<i>Interest</i>	
Lancaster National Bank, Water Bonds	\$ 900.00
Robert P. Burroughs, Water Notes	137.50
First National Bank of Westboro, Mass.	192.50
Framers & Traders National & Savings Bank, loan	51.35
	\$1,281.35
<i>Lands and Buildings</i>	
Library Building Stratford Hollow	
Ray Roberts, repairing & painting	\$ 390.67
Neil Wilkenson, electrical work	5.55
	\$ 396.22
<i>Temporary Loans</i>	
Farmers & Traders National & Savings Bank	\$8,000.00
<i>Bonds</i>	
Lancaster National Bank, Payments	\$4,000.00
<i>Notes</i>	
Lancaster National Bank, Payment	\$1,000.00
<i>State and County</i>	
J. Arthur Sullivan, County Treasurer, County Tax	\$4,477.00

<i>School District</i>	
Amy J. Blodgett, District Treasurer	\$34,295.88
<i>Head Tax</i>	
State of New Hampshire	\$2,124.64
Amy J. Blodgett, Collector	43.36
	\$2,168.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$74,987.72

Public Health Nursing Report

For Year Ending December 31, 1951

Nursing care visits	561
Obstetrical deliveries	10
Baby visits	44
Metropolitan Nursing care	239
Metropolitan baby	54
Dental Clinics	8
Welfare	462
School	170
	1548

Fees collected	\$658.00
Fees turned to town	\$658.00

Respectfully submitted,
DELIA B. HAPGOOD,
Public Health Nurse.

Report of State Audit

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

February 15, 1952

Board of Selectmen
Stratford, New Hampshire
Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an audit and examination of the accounts of the Town of Stratford for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, North Stratford Library, Water Department and Trustees of Trust Funds.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Comparative Balance Sheets—December 31, 1950-December 31, 1951: (Exhibit A)

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1950 and December 31, 1951, are presented in Exhibit A. As indicated therein the Net Debt decreased by \$9,560.54 during 1951.

Analysis of Change in Financial Conditions: (Exhibit B)

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit B, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. There were as follows:

Decreases in Net Debt

Net Budget Surplus	\$3,099.74
Payment of Long Term Notes and Bonds	5,000.00
Appropriation for 1950 Deficit	1,000.00
Increase in Accounts Receivable	249.96
Decrease in Accounts Payable	206.51
Tax Collector's Net Excess Credits	4.33
	\$9,560.54

**Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures
—Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits C & D)**

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951, are presented in Exhibits C and D. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit D), a net revenue surplus of \$4,380.58, less a net overdraft of appropriations of \$1,280.84, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$3,099.74.

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit E)

A summary of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit E. Proof of the Treasurer's balance, as of December 31, 1951, is indicated in Exhibit F.

Statement of Indebtedness: (Exhibit N)

A statement of long term indebtedness as of December 31, 1951, showing annual maturities of principal and annual interest requirements, is contained in Exhibit N.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Collector's records.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Redemption From Tax Sales:

Sale of Property Acquired by Town Through Collector's Deeds:

There appears to have been some confusion as to the proper designation of funds received on account of—(1) -- redemption from tax sales, and—(2) -- sale of property acquired by Town through tax collector's deeds. The distinction between these two accounts is as follows:

(1) Funds received between the date of tax sale and the time when a tax deed is taken by the town should be classified as "Redemption from Tax Sales."

(2) When a tax deed has been taken and the property is subsequently sold by the town, (either to the original owner or any other purchaser) funds so received should be classified as "Sale of Town Property."

Transfer Fee on Motor Vehicle Permits:

A fifty cent transfer fee should be charged by the Town Clerk each time a motor vehicle transfer permit is issued. This is in addition to the regular cost of the permit.

Conclusion:

The accounts of the town officials which we examined were found in good condition and the accounting and financial procedure, with exceptions as herein noted, conformed to prescribed methods and procedure.

The provisions of Section 31, Chapter 211, of the Laws of 1939, require that this report or a summary of its essential features shall be published in the next annual town report.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Stratford for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER,

Director

Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

C. David Sullivan, Auditor

John T. Flanders, Accountant

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION**

Concord, New Hampshire

February 15, 1952

Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Stratford for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951; and, with exceptions as herein noted, found them to be in good order. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town of Stratford on December 31, 1951, and the results of operations for the period under review.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER, Director
Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

C. David Sullivan, Auditor

John T. Flanders, Accountant

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire

February 11, 1952

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Stratford School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1951, and found them to be in good order. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the School District on June 30, 1951, together with the results of operations for the period under review.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER,

Director

Division of Municipal Accountnig
State Tax Commission

C. David Sullivan, Auditor

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EXHIBIT B

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

Net Debt — Dec. 31, 1951	\$ 25,381.91
Net Debt — Dec. 31, 1950	15,821.37
Decrease in Net Debt	\$ 9,560.54

Analysis of Change

Decreases in Net Debt:

Budget Surplus	\$ 3,099.74
Payment of Long Term Notes & Bonds	5,000.00
1950 Deficiency Appropriation	1,000.00
Increase in Accounts Receivable	249.96
Decrease in Accounts Payable	206.51
Tax Collector's Net Excess Credits	4.33
	\$ 9,560.54

Budget Summary

Actual Revenues	\$ 16,690.96
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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1951

EXHIBIT C

	Appro.	Receipts & Reimburse.	Total Available	Expenditures	Unexpend.	Balance Overdraft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,195.00	\$ 43.36	\$ 2,238.36	\$ 2,479.36	\$	\$ 241.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	9.30	1,009.30	850.66	158.64	
Election & Registration Expenses	30.00		30.00	28.00	2.00	
Municipal Court Expenses	100.00		100.00		100.00	
Town Hall & Other Buildings	1,790.00	9.00	1,799.00	2,092.40		293.40
Police Department	55.00		55.00	90.00		35.00
Fire Dept., Including Forest Fires	500.00	9.55	509.55	288.86	220.69	
Bliester Rust — Moth Extermination	50.00		(x) 50.00			
Bounties			(**) 62.75			
Health Department	2,350.00	1,158.00	3,508.00	3,152.58	355.42	
Town Dump	50.00		50.00	7.50	42.50	
Vital Statistics	25.00		25.00	14.50	10.50	
Town Road Aid	157.10		157.10	108.63	48.47	
Town Maintenance	1,350.00		1,350.00	1,444.02		94.02
Special Plowing	200.00		200.00	130.16	69.84	
Street Lighting	1,392.00		1,392.00	1,284.96	107.04	
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	25.00		25.00	82.76		57.76
Library Repairs — Stratford Hollow				396.22		396.22
Sewer Construction	210.00		210.00	217.50		7.50
Libraries	500.00		500.00	608.61		108.61
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,261.62	238.38	

Town Poor	500.00	244.00	744.00	773.29	29.29
Aid to Soldiers & Their Families				228.80	228.80
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assoc.	200.00		200.00		
Parks & Playgrounds	11.00		11.00		
Water & Electric Utilities	400.00		400.00	350.41	49.59
Cemeteries	100.00		100.00	69.70	30.30
Retirement	164.22		164.22	221.03	56.81
Damages & Legal Expenses	50.00		50.00	122.65	72.65
Interest	1,230.00		1,230.00	1,281.35	51.35
Temporary Loans		8,000.00	8,000.00		
Payments on Principal of Debt	5,000.00		5,000.00	8,000.00	
County Tax	4,477.00		4,477.00	5,000.00	
School District:				4,477.00	
1950-51 Appropriation			17,195.88 (**)	17,195.88	
1951-52 Appropriation	33,120.68		33,120.68 (xx)	17,100.00	
Overlay--Discounts & Abatements	525.61		525.61	1,353.94	828.33
Fire Station Repairs	(*) 2,000.00		2,000.00	2,097.49	97.49
State Head Taxes & Penalties		2,124.64	2,124.64	2,124.64	
Insurance	350.00		350.00	465.98	115.98
1950 Deficiency Appropriation	\$ 59,607.61	\$ 13,597.85	\$ 90,401.34	\$ 75,674.25	\$ 1,433.37
	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00
(*) Long Term Note	\$ 60,607.61	\$ 13,597.85	\$ 91,401.34	\$ 75,674.25	\$ 2,433.37
(**) Also an Asset Forwarded to 1952			(x) Also a Liability Forwarded to 1952		
(***) Brought Forward from 1950			(xx) Leaves \$16,020.68 of the total which is Forwarded to 1952 as a Liability		
					\$ 2,714.21

STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED & ACTUAL REVENUES AND BUDGET SUMMARY
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1951
EXHIBIT D

Source	Revenues			Excess	Deficit
	Estimated	Actual			
Interest and Dividend Tax	\$ 144.32	\$ 144.32	\$		\$
Railroad Tax	1,145.00	1,152.81		7.81	
Savings Bank Tax	65.00	38.54			26.46
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of growing wood and timber					
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	5,118.06	5,118.06 *			
Dog Licenses	2,000.00	2,301.00		301.00	
Rent of Town Property	238.00	206.80			
Interest Received on Taxes	400.00	760.00		360.00	
Water and Electric Departments	200.00	357.91		157.91	
Sale of Town Histories	3,000.00	3,878.69		878.69	
Sale of Town Property		18.25		18.25	
Added Taxes		2,450.56		2,450.56	
		253.92		253.92	
					31.20

Excess of Taxes Committed over Budgetary

Requirements

Donations

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10.00

.10

10.00

\$ 57.66

\$ 4,438.24

\$ 16,690.96

\$ 12,310.38

* Includes:

Yield Taxes Assessed

\$ 2,793.38

Reimbursement a/c Exemption of

Growing Wood & Timber

2,324.68

\$ 5,118.06

Estimated Revenues	12,310.38	
Net Revenue Surplus		\$ 4,380.58
Overdrafts of Appropriations	\$ 2,714.21	
Unexpended Bal. of Appropriations	1,433.37	
Net Overdraft of Appropriations		1,280.84
Net Budget Surplus		\$ 3,099.74

EXHIBIT E
CLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Levy of 1951:

Property Taxes	\$ 42,050.51	
Poll Taxes	726.00	
Yield Taxes	2,275.78	
State Head Taxes	2,165.00	
		\$ 47,217.29

Previous Years:

Property Taxes	\$ 8,168.77	
Poll Taxes	308.00	
Yield Taxes	52.00	
		8,528.77

Tax Sales Redeemed	859.74
Interest on Taxes and Redemptions	357.91
State Head Tax Penalties	3.00

\$ 56,966.71

From State of New Hampshire:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$ 144.32	
Savings Bank Tax	38.54	
Railroad Tax	1,152.81	
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood & Timber—1951 Account	2,324.68	
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood & Timber—1950 Account	672.37	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	9.55	
Bounties	54.25	
Reimbursement a/c State Head Taxes	9.30	
		4,405.82

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	\$ 206.80	
Rent of Town Property	760.00	
Sale of Town Histories	18.25	
Water Rents	3,878.69	
Appropriation Credits		
Health Department	1,158.00	
Town Poor	244.00	
Town Hall	9.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	2,301.00	
		8,575.74

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary Loans	\$ 8,000.00	
Long Term Notes	2,000.00	
Sale of Town Property	2,450.56	
Donations	10.00	
		12,460.56

Total Receipts from All Sources \$ 82,408.83

Balance — Dec. 31, 1950 7,978.99

Grand Total \$ 90,387.82

EXPENDITURES**General Government:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,479.36	
Town Officers' Expenses	850.66	
Election and Registration	28.00	
Town Hall and Other Buildings	2,092.40	
		\$ 5,450.42

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	\$ 90.00	
Fire Department	288.86	
Bounties	62.75	
Insurance	465.98	
		907.59

Health:

Health Department	\$ 3,152.58	
Vital Statistics	14.50	
Sewer Maintenance	217.50	
Town Dump	7.50	
		3,392.08

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance — Summer	\$ 843.61	
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Town Maintenance — Winter	600.41	
Special Plowing	130.16	
Town Road Aid	108.63	
Street Lighting	1,284.96	
Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept.	82.76	
		3,050.53
Libraries		608.61
Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance	\$ 1,261.62	
Town Poor	773.29	
		2,034.91
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assoc.	\$ 200.00	
Aid to Soldiers	228.80	
		428.80
Public Service Enterprises:		
Water Department	\$ 350.41	
Cemeteries	69.70	
		420.11
Recreation:		
Parks and Playgrounds		11.00
Unclassified:		
Retirement	\$ 221.03	
Damages & Legal Expenses	122.65	
Taxes Bought by Town	443.40	
Tax Refunds	224.01	
Fire Station Repairs	2,097.49	
Library Repairs	396.22	
State Head Taxes	2,124.64	
		5,629.44
Interest:		
Temporary Loans	\$ 51.35	
Long Term Bonds	900.00	
Long Term Notes	330.00	
		1,281.35
Indebtedness:		
Temporary Loans	\$ 8,000.00	
Bonds	4,000.00	
Long Term Notes	1,000.00	
		13,000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
County Tax	\$ 4,477.00	

School District:

1950-51 Appro.	\$ 17,195.88	
1951-52 Appro.	17,100.00	
	<u>34,295.88</u>	38,772.88
Total Payments for All Purposes		\$ 74,987.72
Balance — Dec. 31, 1951		<u>15,400.10</u>
Grand Total		\$ 90,387.82

EXHIBIT F**SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AND
PROOF OF TREASURER'S BALANCE**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

Balance — Dec. 31, 1950	\$ 7,978.99	
Receipts During Year	82,408.83	
	<u>\$ 90,387.82</u>	
Expenditures During Year		74,987.72
Balance — Dec. 31, 1951		<u>\$ 15,400.10</u>

Proof of Balance

Balance in Farmers & Traders Nat. and Savings Bank—as per statement Dec. 31, 1951		\$ 12,228.76
Add: Deposits —Jan. 4, 1952	\$ 15,883.77	
Jan. 11, 1952	66.66	
	<u>15,950.43</u>	
		\$ 28,179.19
Less: Outstanding Checks		<u>12,779.09</u>
Reconciled Bank Balance—Dec. 31, 1951		\$ 15,400.10

EXHIBIT G**SUMMARY OF WARRANT — LEVY OF 1951**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS**Taxes Committed to Collector:**

Property Taxes	\$ 47,393.33
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Poll Taxes	904.00	
Yield Taxes	2,793.38	
		\$ 51,090.71

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 233.92	
Poll Taxes	6.00	
		239.92

Total Debits	\$ 51,330.63
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CREDITS**Remittances to Treasurer:**

A/c Property Taxes	\$ 42,050.51	
A/c Poll Taxes	726.00	
A/c Yield Taxes	2,275.78	
		\$ 45,052.29

By Abatements:

Property Taxes	\$ 180.88	
Poll Taxes	48.00	
		228.88

Uncollected Taxes—December 31, 1951:

Property Taxes	\$ 5,395.86	
Poll Taxes	138.00	
Yield Taxes	517.60	
		6,051.46

	\$ 51,332.63
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Less: Excess Credit	2.00
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Total Credits	\$ 51,330.63
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EXHIBIT G-I**SUMMARY OF WARRANT — 1951 STATE HEAD TAXES**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS**Taxes Committed to Collector:**

1951 State Head Taxes	\$ 2,325.00
Added State Head Taxes	120.00
Penalties Collected	3.00

Total Debits	\$ 2,448.00
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CREDITS**Remittances to Treasurer:**

A/c State Head Taxes	\$ 2,165.00
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A/c Penalties	3.00	
		\$ 2,168.00
By Abatements		20.00
Uncollected Taxes:		
1951 State Head Taxes		260.00
Total Credits		\$ 2,448.00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT — LEVIES OF PRIOR YEARS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1951

EXHIBIT G-2

	1950	1949	1948	Levies of:				1945	1944	Total
Debits				1947	1946					
Uncollected Taxes —										
Dec. 31, 1950:										
Property Taxes	\$ 7,469.11	\$ 509.19	\$ 1,930.57	\$ 250.57	\$	\$	\$	36.00	8.00	\$ 10,159.44
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	370.00	36.00	118.00	124.00	58.00			54.00	12.00	750.00
Poll Taxes @ \$3.00										66.00
Yield Taxes	52.00									52.00
Added Taxes:										
Poll Taxes	14.00									14.00
Interest Collected										295.47
Total Debits	\$ 7,905.11	\$ 545.19	\$ 2,048.57	\$ 374.57	\$ 58.00	\$	\$	90.00	20.00	\$ 11,336.91

Credits	Levies of:						Total
	1950	1949	1948	1947	1946	1945	
Remittances to Treasurer:							
Property Taxes	\$ 7,285.83	\$ 238.18	\$ 644.76	\$	\$	\$	\$ 8,168.77
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	294.00	12.00	2.00				308.00
Yield Taxes	52.00						52.00
Interest							295.17
By Abatements:							
Property Taxes		6.05	307.35	212.17			525.57
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	6.00		112.00	122.00	54.00	32.00	330.00
Poll Taxes @ \$3.00						48.00	54.00
Uncollected Taxes --							
Dec. 31, 1950:							
Property Taxes	183.21	263.36	978.46	38.40			1,463.43
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	88.00	24.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	130.00
Poll Taxes @ \$3.00						6.00	12.00
	\$ 7,909.04	\$ 543.59	\$ 2,048.57	\$ 374.57	\$ 58.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 11,339.24
Less: Excess Credits	3.93						3.93
Add: Deficiency of Credits		1.60					1.60
Total Credits	\$ 7,905.11	\$ 545.19	\$ 2,048.57	\$ 374.57	\$ 58.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 11,336.91

EXHIBIT H
SUMMARY OF TOWN CLERK'S MOTOR VEHICLE AND
DOG LICENSE ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:		
1950 Permits—223290-223300		
240451-240462	\$ 39.97	
1951 Permits—211801-212191	2,261.03	
		\$ 2,301.00
Dog Licenses Issued:		
87 @ \$2.00	\$ 174.00	
8 @ \$5.00	40.00	
1 Kennel @ \$12.00	12.00	
	\$ 226.00	
Less: Fees Retained 96 @ .20 cents	19.20	
		206.80
		\$ 2,507.80

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:		
A/c Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 2,301.00	
A/c Dog Licenses	206.80	
		\$ 2,507.80

EXHIBIT I
NORTH STRATFORD LIBRARY
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AND
PROOF OF TREASURER'S BALANCE

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS

Balance — Dec. 31 1950		\$ 260.52
Receipts:		
Town' Appropriation	\$ 500.00	
Rent	24.00	
Fines	10.00	
Miscellaneous	2.12	
		536.12
		\$ 796.64

CREDITS

Expenditures:	
Librarian's Salary	\$ 159.00
Books— Magazines	148.50
Mending Supplies	3.25
Rent	117.00
Trustees' salaries	45.00
Insurance	76.82
Fuel	17.94
Electricity	6.71
Janitor Service	3.90
Labor on Bookcase	14.00
Bank Service Charges	4.27
	\$ 596.89
Balance — Dec. 31, 1951	\$ 200.25
Proof of Balance	
Balance in The Lancaster National Bank — as	
per Statement dated Jan. 16, 1952	\$ 200.25

EXHIBIT J**WATER DEPARTMENT — SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS

Unpaid Water Rents — Dec. 31, 1951	\$ 1,173.41
Billings During Year	4,138.88
Material Sold	10.00
	\$ 5,322.29

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer	\$ 3,878.69
Vacancy Credits	136.09
Abatements — Old Accounts	90.38
	\$ 4,105.16
Uncollected Water Rents — Dec. 31, 1951	1,218.37
	\$ 5,323.53
Less: Excess Vacancy Credit	1.24
	\$ 5,322.29

EXHIBIT K**SUMMARY OF VETERANS MEMORIAL FUNDS**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

NORTH STRATFORD FUND

Balance — Dec. 31, 1950	\$ 356.49
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Receipts:

Town Appropriation	\$ 50.00	
Interest Earned	7.16	
		<u>57.16</u>
Balance — December 31, 1950		<u>\$413.65</u>
Balance in Farmers & Traders Nat. and Savings Bank No. 9432		<u>\$ 413.65</u>

STRATFORD HOLLOW FUND

Balance — Dec. 31, 1950		\$ 464.62
Receipts:		
Town Appropriation	\$ 50.00	
Interest Earned	9.33	
		<u>59.32</u>
Balance — Dec. 31, 1951		<u>\$ 523.95</u>
Balance in Peoples National Bank, Groveton — No. 2816		\$ 523.95
Note: Bank Book No. 2816 Not Verified		

EXHIBIT L**SUMMARY OF ROLLIN A. BALDWIN TRUST FUND
INCOME ACCOUNT**

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS**Receipts:**

Income from Investments	\$ 290.66
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CREDITS**Expenditures:**

Payments to Worthy Persons	211.78
Balance — Dec. 31, 1951	<u>\$ 78.88</u>

Proof of Balance

Balance in Colebrook National Bank — as per Statement dated Nov. 30, 1951	\$ 117.72
Less: Outstanding Checks	38.84
Reconciled Bank Balance — Dec. 31, 1951	<u>\$ 78.88</u>

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS, TOWN OF STRATFORD, YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1951.

Date of Creation	Name of Fund Estate of-	How Invested	Bal. of Inc. at Begin. of Year	Income During Year	Exp'd During Year	Bal. of Inc. at End of Year
1897	N. D. Piper)	Siwoog'k G. S. Bank, Lancaster	621.73	15.62	15.62	621.73
1907	Laura Johnson)	" "	107.49	2.69	2.51	110.18
1918	Isaac Johnson)	" "	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
1928	Isaac Crown)	" "	300.00	7.54	7.54	300.00
1934	Eliza Connary)	" "	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
1935	Clara Waters)	" "	102.05	2.58	2.58	102.05
1935	Alice Wheeler, 3 lots)	" "	104.66	2.61	2.61	104.66
1935	Florence French, 2 lots)	" "	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
1936	Rev. L. W. Prescott)	Plymouth G. S. Bank, Plymouth	102.05	2.51	2.51	100.00
1937	Michael & John O. Dowd)	Siwoog'k G. S. Bank, Lancaster	200.00	12.00	12.00	200.00
1939	Christopher Day)	" "	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
1941	G. P. Ockington & J. G. Stone)	2 shares Siwoog. Bk. Stock, 2 lots	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
1946	Rev. Blanche Morey)	Siwoog'k G. S. Bank, Lancaster	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
1946	Ernest J. Bean)	" "	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
1946	Frederick A. Hapgood)	" "	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
1946	Martha Burns)	" "	101.33	2.54	2.54	101.33
1948	Angelo Del Medico)	" "	102.99	2.58	2.58	102.99
1948	McNally Lot, Ella Howes, donor)	" "	101.33	2.54	2.54	101.33
1949	Emma Stone)	" "	200.67	5.04	5.04	200.67
1950	Seth Richardson Trust, 3 lots *	" "	600.00	10.03	10.03	510.03
(* Same as Alice Wheeler Fund)			3442.25	88.39	75.67	3454.97

Dec. 31, 1951 A true record Attest: — PAULINE HUNT, DELIA B. HAPGOOD.

REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF THE
TOWN OF STRATFORD
NEW HAMPSHIRE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 1951

School Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Stratford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in the village of North Stratford, in said district, on Tuesday, the 18th day of March, 1952, at seven thirty o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
8. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hand at said Stratford this 4th day of March, 1952.

ALICE RUCH,
MARGARET SALLS,
AGNES MERRIAM,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ALICE RUCH,
MARGARET SALLS,
AGNES MERRIAM,
School Board.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Organization

	Term Expires
Alice Ruch	1952
Margaret Salls	1953
Agnes Merriam	1954
Treasurer, Amy Blodgett	
Clerk, Edna Fuller	
Truant Officer, Delia B. Hapgood	
Auditors, State Tax Commission	
Moderator, Burritt H. Hinman	
Supt. of Schools, Howard D. Fowlie	
Board meetings are called by the Chairman	

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1951

Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1950	\$ 109.60
Received from Selectmen:	
Appropriation	\$37,586.28
Received from State Treasurer:	
State Aid	3,922.71
Received from all other sources	6,907.27
	48,416.26
Total amt. available for school year	\$48,525.86
Less school board orders paid	48,507.28
Balance on hand as of June 30, '51	\$ 18.58

AMY J. BLODGETT,
District Treasurer

July 19, 1951

DETAILED STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS

1950	Balance on hand	\$ 109.60
	Selectmen, taxation	37,586.28
July 18	State of New Hamp,, Home Economics	325.27
Aug. 29	Town of Brunswick, Tuition 1949-59	43.75
Oct. 28	N. H. Fire Insurance Co., Insur. Athletic Equipment	105.93
1951		
Jan. 25	Mrs. Dwight A. Danforth, Tuition--Madelyn Johnson	87.50
Feb. 2	Town of Bloomfield, Tuition	962.50
Feb. 5	Ernest Biron, Tuition	53.35
Feb. 15	Town of Brunswick, Tuition	1,208.34
Feb. 19	Town of Maidstone, Vt., Tuition	955.40
Mar. 20	James Clough, Tuition	30.00
Mar. 27	Town of Columbia, Tuition	175.00
Apr. 12	State of New Hampshire, State Aid Allotment	3,597.44
Apr. 28	Gladys Perro, Tuition	90.50
Mar. 24	Mrs. Dwight Danforth, Tuition	87.50
June 5	Town of Maidstone, Vt., Tuition and supplies	820.00
June 7	Town of Bloomfield, Vt., Tuition and supplies	875.00
June 8	Town of Brunswick, Vt., Tuition and supplies	1,237.50
June 21	Beatrice G. White, Treas., Tuition Columbia	175.00
		\$48,525.86

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1950

Receipts

State and Federal Aid:

Equalization fund	\$ 3,597.44
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Federal Aid, Home Economics	325.27
Total	\$ 3,922.71
<i>Income from local taxation:</i>	
Support of schools, tuition, salaries, debts and interest and other statutory obligations	\$37,586.28
<i>From sources other than taxation:</i>	
Elementary school tuitions	\$ 3,078.00
Secondary school tuitions	3,679.59
Other receipts	149.68
Total	\$ 6,907.27
Total receipts from all sources	\$48,416.26
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1950	109.60
<i>Grand Total</i>	\$48,525.86

Payments

Administration:

	Total Amount	Support of High School	Support of Elemen. School
Salaries of dist. officers	\$ 260.00	\$ 52.00	\$ 208.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	836.00	250.80	585.20
Tax for State wide Supervision	452.00	90.40	361.60
Sal. of other adm. personnel	379.30	113.79	265.51
Supplies and expenses	498.57	106.22	392.35

Instruction:

Teachers' Salaries	26,205.54	11,095.88	15,109.66
Principals' salaries	3,600.00	2,600.00	1,000.00
Books & other instruct. aids	731.00	257.78	473.22
Scholars' supplies	796.97	290.97	506.00
Supplies and other expenses	191.83	62.66	129.17

Operation of School Plant:

Salaries of janitors	1,416.00	449.25	966.75
Fuel or heat	1,351.36	456.09	895.27
Water, light, supplies & exp.	537.40	178.30	359.10

Maintenance of School Plant:

Repairs and replacements	2,041.78	622.92	1,418.86
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Auxiliary Activities:

Health supervision	500.00	150.00	350.00
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Transportation	5,374.00	900.00	4,474.00
Special activities & spec. funds	388.10	200.74	187.36
Fixed Charges:			
Retirement	1,910.60	591.20	1,319.40
Insurance, treas. bonds & expenses	493.88	148.16	345.72
Total Current Expenses	\$47,964.33	\$18,617.16	\$29,347.17
Capital Outlay:			
New equipment	542.95	162.88	380.07
Total payments for all purposes	\$48,507.28	\$18,780.04	\$29,727.24
Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1951)	18.58		
GRAND TOTAL	\$48,525.86		

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

1950-1951

Salaries of District Officers

Walter Niles, school board	
salary	\$ 75.00
Alice Ruch, school board salary	60.00
Margaret Salls, school board	
salary	60.00
Amy Blodgett, treasurer	50.00
Hugh Johnson, auditor	10.00
Edna Fuller, clerk	5.00
	\$ 260.00

Superintendent's Salary -- Local Share

Supervisory Union, No. 58	\$ 836.00
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Tax for State Wide Supervision

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	\$ 452.00
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Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel

Supervisory Union, No. 58,	
secretary	\$364.30
George Zoulias, census	15.00
	\$ 379.30

Supplies and Expenses

Allyn & Bacon	\$ 10.44
Edson C. Eastman Co.	10.19

David Appleton	94.20	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	127.07	
Supervisory Union No. 58	205.19	
William Lehnert	5.00	
Bank Charge	.58	
Coos County Democrat	18.90	
Sentinel Publishing Co.	27.00	
		\$ 498.57

Principals' and Teachers' Salaries

David Blair, III	\$2,500.00	
Florence Daley	2,000.00	
Nathalie Fuller	2,200.00	
Martin Harwood	2,900.00	
Leslie Hyberts	2,300.00	
Grace Martin	2,250.00	
Edith McGuire	2,200.00	
Mildred Mickelson	2,400.00	
Mary Nugent	2,200.00	
Barbara Ryan	2,193.89	
Gardner Wentworth	625.00	
Ethel Wheeler	2,200.00	
George Zoulas	3,600.00	
Substitutes	236.65	
		\$29,805.54

Books and Other Instructional Aids

Houghton Mifflin Co.	\$251.82	
American Book Co.	19.36	
L. W. Singer Co.	16.59	
D. C. Heath & Co.	13.15	
J. B. Lippincott Co.	71.66	
Allyn & Bacon	26.01	
So. Western Pub. Co.	39.00	
Scott Foresman Co.	126.20	
Chas. Scribners' Sons	7.96	
Follett Publishing Co.	67.27	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	2.25	
Aaron E. Stevens	11.60	
Gardner Wentworth	18.35	
Denoyer-Geppert Co.	33.80	
Gregg Publishing Co.	25.98	
		\$ 731.00

Scholars' Supplies

American Book Co.	\$ 70.53
Beckley-Cardy Co.	4.26

Benton Review Pub. Co.	20.94	
Gledhill Bros. Co.	247.41	
Scott Foresman Co.	94.29	
So. Western Pub. Co.	20.26	
Cambosco Scientific Co.	46.28	
Northern Office Supply Co.	13.50	
New York Times	12.00	
McCalls Magazine	8.00	
Consumers Union	12.00	
Master Products Co.	12.95	
Aaron E. Stevens	14.18	
Edward E. Babb Co.	2.80	
Plays	5.00	
American Education Press	77.50	
A. H. Rice Co.	12.73	
Mainco Trading Co.	122.34	
	\$	796.97

Supplies and Other Expenses

Clarkson Pub. Co.	\$47.64	
R. M. Beuttel	18.00	
Scott Foresman Co.	17.16	
D. C. Heath Co.	8.15	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	20.91	
MacMillan Co.	11.11	
Martin & Murray Co.	24.20	
Aaron E. Stevens	10.00	
Mildred Mickelson	14.25	
J. L. Hammet Co.	20.41	
	\$	191.83

Salaries of Janitors

John Drapeau	\$900.00	
Erastus Blodgett	500.00	
Arthur Hapgood	6.00	
Erastus Blodgett	10.00	
	\$	1,416.00

Fuel

Canadian Natl. R. R.	\$560.00	
Burl Howland	84.78	
Elias Lyman Coal Co.	619.80	
Public Service Co.	72.78	
Ernest Normandeau	14.00	
	\$	1,351.36

Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses

Stratford Water Dept.	\$125.00
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Public Service Co.	246.95
I. G. Young	7.00
Arthur Hapgood	18.00
Walter Niles	12.00
M. F. Bragdon Paint Co.	45.34
Aaron E. Stevens	35.77
J. I. Holcomb	22.80
Soapitor Co.	9.35
H. W. Silsby	15.19
	\$ 537.40

Repairs and Replacements

Bertina McMann	\$ 15.00
Leo J. Normando	3.20
Lancaster Plumbing & Heating	6.50
Ralph J. Emerson	9.95
Erastus Blodgett	30.50
I. G. Young	24.06
Napolean J. Bergeron	33.75
Harland McMann	4.00
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating	200.00
Heamon Nason	15.50
M. F. Bragdon Paint Co.	19.85
Aaron E. Stevens	31.25
Hughes Bros.	125.00
Neil E. Wilkinson	1,384.59
Styles Drug Store	12.00
Tracey's Shell Service	3.00
Mary Blodgett	1.50
J. S. Beaton & Sons	41.16
Chas. Tillotson	80.97
	\$ 2,041.78

Health Supervision

Town of Stratford	\$ 500.00
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Transportation

Loyal P. Brown	\$1,300.00
Earl McMann	3,000.00
Leo Normando	537.00
Arthur Hapgood	537.00
	\$ 5,374.00

Special Activities and Special Funds

Educators Progress Service	\$ 42.63
Stratford High School	
Activities Fund	147.50
Star Equipment Co.	37.27

H .W. Ramsay	125.07	
Ernest Normandeau	4.00	
Aaron E. Stevens	31.63	
		\$ 388.10
<i>Retirement</i>		
N. H. Employees Retirement System	\$ 64.26	
N. H. Teachers Retirement System	1,801.11	
Supervisory Union No. 58 (Supt. Retirement)	45.23	
		\$ 1,910.60
<i>Insurance</i>		
Geo. M. Stevens & Son. Co.	\$	493.88
<i>New Equipment</i>		
Sears, Roebuck & Co.	\$105.62	
Remington Rand, Inc.	160.50	
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating	233.21	
So. Western Pub. Co.	4.31	
Sunray Products	8.70	
Styles Drug Store	30.61	
		\$ 542.95
<i>Total Payments for All Purposes, 1950-1951</i>		\$48,507.28

BALANCE SHEET

<i>Assets, June 30, 1951</i>		
Cash on hand		\$ 18.58
Accounts due to district		
From Town -- 1950-51		109.60
Total Assets		\$128.18
<i>Liabilities, June 30, 1951</i>	000.00	
Total Liabilities	000.00	
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	128.18	
<i>Grand Total</i>		\$128.18

COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BUDGET

Summary

	Expend. for 1950-1951	Estimate for 1951-1952	Budget for 1952-1953
Salaries of district officers	\$ 260.00	\$ 270.00	\$ 270.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	836.00	727.60	826.80
Tax for state wide supervision	452.00	480.00	496.00
Salaries of other adm. personnel	379.30	424.48	501.40
Supplies and expenses	498.57	506.70	503.60
Administration	\$ 2,425.87	\$ 2,408.78	\$ 2,597.80
Teachers' Salaries	29,805.54	28,800.00	32,700.00
Books & other instructional aids	731.00	605.25	805.25
Scholars' supplies	796.97	756.25	856.25
Supplies & other expenses	191.83	175.00	200.00
Instruction	31,525.34	30,356.50	34,561.50
Salaries of janitors	1,416.00	1,510.00	1,620.00
Fuel or heat	1,351.36	1,987.00	2,295.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	537.40	670.00	670.00
Operation of School Plant	3,304.76	4,167.00	4,585.00
Repairs and replacements (Maintenance)	2,041.78	1,700.00	3,200.00
Health supervision	500.00	625.00	625.00
Transportation	5,374.00	4,940.00	5,340.00
Special activities and special funds	388.10	640.00	1,380.00
Auxiliary Activities	6,262.10	6,205.00	7,345.00
Retirement	1,910.60	2,344.98	2,125.93
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses	493.88	404.19	479.00
Fixed Charges	2,404.48	2,749.17	2,604.93

New equipment	542.95	400.00	650.00
(Capital Outlay)			
Debt and interest	0.00	0.00	1,089.44
Total Payments for all purposes	\$48,507.28	\$47,966.45	\$56,633.67

Receipts

Cash on hand	\$ 109.60	\$ 18.58	
From Town Appropriation	37,586.28	33,120.68	\$39,306.48
State Aid	3,597.44	10,227.19	10,227.19
Federal Aid	325.27	100.00	100.00
Tuition	6,757.59	4,500.00	7,000.00
Other Receipts	149.68		
	\$48,525.86	\$47,966.45	\$56,633.67

BUDGET FOR 1952-1953

School Board's estimate of the amount required to support public schools and to meet other statutory obligations for the year beginning July 1, 1952.

Detailed Statement of Proposed Expenditures

Support of Schools:

	High Sch.	Elem.	Total
Salaries of Teachers & Prin.	\$14,350.00	\$18,350.00	\$32,700.00
Books & Other Instruc-			
tional Aids	268.25	537.00	805.25
Scholars' Supplies	356.25	500.00	856.25
Supplies & other expenses	125.00	75.00	200.00
Salaries of Janitors	450.00	1,170.00	1,620.00
Fuel	765.00	1,530.00	2,295.00
Water, light, supplies			
& expenses	220.00	450.00	670.00
Repairs and replacements	1,070.00	2,130.00	3,200.00
Health supervision	200.00	425.00	625.00
Transportation	1,450.00	3,890.00	5,340.00
Special activities and			
special funds	460.00	920.00	1,380.00
Total	\$19,714.50	\$29,977.00	\$49,691.50

Other Statutory Requirements:		
Salaries of District Officers	\$	270.00
Superintendent's Salary (local share)		826.80
Tax for State Wide Supervision		496.00
Sal. of Other Adm. Personnel		501.40
Supplies & Expenses		503.60
State Retirement		2,125.93
Insurance		479.00
New Equipment		650.00
Debt and Interest		1,089.44
		6,942.17
Total Estimated Expense		\$56,633.67
Estimated Income of the District		
Other Than Taxation:		
State Aid	\$10,227.19	
Federal Aid	100.00	
Tuition	7,000.00	
Total Estimated Income		17,327.19
Assessment required to balance budget		\$39,306.48

Respectfully submitted,
ALICE RUCH,
MARGARET SALLS,
AGNES MERRIAM,
School Board

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Stratford:

I have the pleasure of submitting my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Stratford. Included in this report are financial and statistical data, and other information which give a clear and true picture of the school situation in the District.

Immediately at the end of this part of the report there is included a grade placement chart showing the number of children in our schools, and the teacher load at each level below the Junior High. Many suggestions grow out of a consideration of such a chart but no marked change is anticipated in the immediate future. It is hoped that the seventh grade at Stratford Hollow may be brought into the Junior High arrangement but conveyance problems seem to make this impossible for the time being.

It will be noted that there are three new teachers at the High School. Mr. Harold Larey, a graduate of Middlebury College is teaching English, Mr. Arthur Tuttle, a graduate of Plymouth Teachers' College has social studies, Mr. Russell Davis, Jr., graduate of Bloomsburg State Teachers' College, Pennsylvania is teaching science, and helping with music. All three of these young men are well trained in their subject matter and well versed in teaching procedures. Each has made a favorable start in his position.

Along with the new teachers your Superintendent is new to the position, having taken the place of Mr. Appleton on August 16th. I found the school buildings clean and well kept but still in need of some repairs. I understand a badly needed roof has been put on the high school building during the past summer and that some of the damage to the walls and ceilings was because of these previous conditions. Now that the roof is weather tight renovations and redecorating can be carried on in the rooms. The School Board has already equipped

most of the rooms with modern fluorescent lights. These represent a marked advantage to the children's eyesight and add much to their comfort and convenience.

An added feature of this year's program is the hot lunch. Although hot dishes have been served in other years I understand this is the first time that a duly authorized and governmental subsidized program has been carried on. It is sponsored by the School Board and the cooking is done by Mrs. Howland and Mrs. Beaulieu who are to be complimented on the fine meals that they have been preparing. Children help in serving the food. Some surplus commodities such as honey, peanut butter, dried eggs, etc. are available from the federal government and the same source reimburses the program 6c for each meal served to the children.

The School Board has carefully considered the probable cost for the coming year and has prepared a budget in line with these considerations. This budget is listed on the accompanying pages and should be carefully examined by every citizen of the District, especially those with children in school. Although it contemplates greater expenditures than this current year, thanks to anticipated revenue from the State School Fund and tuition the necessary assessment on the District represents slightly less than was actually voted in the District meeting last March. The School Board has already met once with the town officers and the members and your Superintendent welcomes any opportunity to discuss the financial situation in the schools.

With sincere appreciation of the helpful interest manifested by the teachers, parents, board members and other citizens of Stratford, I respectfully submit this report. Thank you.

HOWARD D. FOWLIE,
Superintendent of Schools.

The grade placement chart follows:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
High School*									25	20	20	17	82
Junior High*							16	22					38
Mary Nugent					13	16							29
Grace Martin			7	29									36
Florence Daley		17	7										24
Edith McGuire	23												23
Ethel Wheeler				4	3	6	5						18
Nathalie Fuller	9	5	8										22
	32	22	22	33	16	22	21	22	25	20	20	17	272

* At 7th Grade and above school work is departmentalized so that no student's class time is identified with any single teacher.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1952-1953

First Term (76 days)

September 3, Wednesday, School Opens

November 26, Wednesday, one session

November 27, 28, Thanksgiving Recess

December 19, Friday, one session

Second Term (35 days)

January 5, Monday, School Opens

February 20, Friday, School Closes

Third Term (35 days)

March 2, Monday, School Opens

April 3, Good Friday, one session

April 17, Friday, School Closes

Fourth Term (34 days)

April 27, Monday, School Opens

May 30, Memorial Day, School Closed

June 12, Friday, School Closes

SCHOOL YEAR—180 DAYS

Graduation

June 12, 1953

Vital Statistics
Town of Stratford, N. H.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1951

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence at Time of Marriage	Age & Occupation of Groom & Bride	Place of Birth of Each	No. of Marriage and Name, Residence and Station of Person by Whom Married
October 6 No. Stratford	John Chapple Elsiea Shallow	No. Stratford Colebrook	21 Truck driver 19 Clean'g presser	Columbia Columbia	1 Rev. E. M. Fuller 1 No. Stratford
June 30 Colebrook	Alfred Doyon Florette Lapiere	No. Stratford Canada	63 Mill worker 28 Housekeeper	Canada Michigan	3 Leon D. Ripley JP 2 Colebrook
October 18 No. Stratford	Charles Hodgins Kate Chapple	No. Stratford No. Stratford	76 Brick mason 75 Housekeeper	Bloomfield, Vt. Vermont	2 Rev. E. M. Fuller 2 No. Stratford
June 11 Lancaster	Claud Johnson Dorothy Robinson	No. Stratford Lancaster	49 Salesman 46 Dr. Shop owner	New Hampshire Presque Isle, Me.	2 Rev. W. H. Crouch 2 Lancaster
October 27 October 27	Harry Jeffers Orleans King	Twin Mountain Stratford	28 Mechanic 24 Nurse	Stratford Dexter, Me.	1 Rev. Leo J. Poulin 1 No. Stratford
November 3 New Britain, Ct.	Paul Marsh Garneta Boucher	Gorham No. Stratford	23 U. S. Army 26 Waitress	Columbia Berlin	1 Rev. H. M. Foreman 1 New Britain, Ct.
February 3 Newport, Vt.	James M. MacDow Shirley de Banville	Stratford Brunswick, Vt.	18 Student 17 At home	Bloomfield, Vt. E. Charleston, Vt.	1 Rev. John Griffin 2 Rev. G. E. Whittier
June 23 Gorham	Howard Page Freda Page	No. Stratford Northumberland	55 Farmer 55 Housewife	Morgan Ctr., Vt. New Hampshire	1 Rev. L. H. Moulton 2 Gorham
May 18 Northumberland	Millard Swift Geraldine Johnson	No. Stratford No. Stratford	20 Laborer 49 Fireman	New Hampshire Sheffield, Vt.	1 Northumberland 2 Rev. E. M. Fuller
June 9 No. Stratford	Willis Stevens Louise Perkins	No. Stratford No. Stratford	25 Housekeeper 23 Millworker	Whitefield New Hampshire	1 No. Stratford 1 Rev. Leo J. Poulin
January 29 No. Stratford	Raymond Tetreault Lorraine Tippitt	No. Stratford Northumberland	25 Millworker 43 Millworker	New Hampshire Brunswick, Vt.	1 No. Stratford 2 Rev. L. H. Moulton
July 2 Stratford	Herbert Taylor Dorothy Hagood	Stratford Stratford	44 Teacher 29 Fireman	Berlin Columbia	2 Rev. E. M. Fuller 2 Northumberland
April 7 No. Stratford	Verne Whiting Blanche Thibeault	Stratford Newport, Vt.	49 Housework 28 Pulp cutter	Brunswick, Vt. Holland, Vt.	4 No. Stratford 1 Rev. Craig Wilcox
September 29 Beebe, Vt.	Foster Woodard Ernestine Woodard	No. Stratford W. Stewartstown	31 V. mill worker 23 Soldier	Newport, Vt. Stewartstown	2 Newport, Vt. 1 Rev. E. M. Fuller
November No. Stratford	Leonard Wheeler, Jr. Dorothy Reed	No. Stratford No. Stratford	18 At home	Lemington, Vt.	1 No. Stratford

Births Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1951

Date of Birth and Name of Child No. of Child	Sex—L or S	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 23 Ethel Margaret	F	David Blair III	Mary Lavalley	Malden, Mass.	Gilman, Vt.
June 19 Leon Gene	M	Clarence Bernard	Louise Thiverge	Newport, Vt.	Lowell, Vt.
July 5 Kenneth Adin	M	Ernest Bartlett	Claire Curtis	Leicester, Mass.	Stratford, N. H.
Aug. 23 Karen Sue	F	Maxie Bourdeau	Ruth Christie	Stratford, N. H.	Stratford, N. H.
Aug. 7 Hilda Mae	F	John Bouchard	Hilda Davis	Connecticut	Canada
Jan. 28 Philip Dean	M	Richard Dowse	Phyllis Reed	Stratford, N. H.	Lemington, Vt.
June 11 Nancy Jane	F	Richard Davenport	Cora Scott	Maine	New Hampshire
Mar. 23 Irene Dianne	F	Leslie Emerson	Rita King	Lancaster	No. Stratford
Apr. 27 Philip James	M	Alton Hurley	Grace Weatherstone	No. Stratford	Island Pond, Vt.
May 2 Diane Mae	F	John Hodgdon	Maevie E. Barrows	Victory, Vt.	Stratford, N. H.
July 23 Frederick Pushee	M	Frederick Jordan	Ellen Pushee	Stratford, N. H.	Lyme
May 31 Sharon Ann	F	DeForest Lumbra	Irene Pushee	Vermont	Vermont
Jan. 27 Edward Leon	M	Paul Morris	Rosalie Poulin	Island Pond, Vt.	Canada
May 27 Keith Earl	M	Harlan McMann	Ann Bishop	Stratford, N. H.	Boston, Mass.
July 27 Michael Harold	M	Harold McMann	Bertina Blodgett	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
June 6 Jane Alana	F	Chesley Robie	Mary Connors	Pittsburg	N. Brunswick, Can.
Oct. 6 Floyd Hazen	F	Albert Riff	Mary Whiting	No. Stratford	Stratford, N. H.
Oct. 24 Francis Frank	M	Louis Roby	Eva Emery	Beecher Falls, Vt.	Ludlow, Vt.
Dec. 17 Reginald Dale	M	Gordon Sargent	Lucretia Lovering	Monroe	W. Stewartstown
Feb. 14 Wava May	F	Louis Whiting	Wava Sanborn	Dalton	No. Stratford
Dec. 13 Robert Earl	M	Ellsworth Willis	Esmond Lanckbon	Newport, Vt.	
Jan. 14 Andrew Paul	M	George Zoulias	Irene Churas	Greece	Franklin

Deaths Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1951

Date and Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age in Years, Months and Days and Place of Birth	Male or Female Single, Married, Widowed and Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Aug. 15 No. Stratford	Infant Bushaw	86	M S	Percy Bushaw	Lena Hampton
Feb. 17 Concord, Vt.	Florence Baldwin	84	F W Housewife	Lyman Larabee	Mary Oden
Dec. 2 Lancaster	Eva Blodgett	86	F W Housewife	Erastus Atherton	Sophronia Wheeler
Jan. 19 W. Stewart's	John Thomas Doyle	10 15	M W Car Inspector	Thomas Doyle	Mary Howard
Apr. 15 Lancaster	Clarence Daniels	64	M W Laborer	Abe Daniels	Lydia Kelley
Sept. 28 St. Johnsbury Vt	Alberta Gadwah	19	F M Housewife	Frank Laythe	Geneva Sanborn
Nov. 22 Stratford	George Mason	71	M M Ret. Farmer	Prescott Mason	Samantha Rolfe
Mar. 1 No. Stratford	Wayne O'Neil	26	M S Lumbering	Wayne O'Neil	Virginia Best
June 17 Concord	Frank Paradis	75	M S Woodsman	Archie Paradis	Emma Goodreau
Jan. 17 W. Stewart's	Mildred Sanborn	67	F M Housewife	Samuel Elliott	Mary Wheeler
	Tyler Wheary	73	M S Retired		

